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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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OCEAN BULK SHIPPING LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

INTER OCEAN SHIP REPAIRS LLC,

Defendant.
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**ATTORNEY'S DECLARATION
THAT DEFENDANT CANNOT
BE FOUND WITHIN THE
DISTRICT**

This declaration is executed by the attorney for the Plaintiff, OCEAN BULK SHIPPING LLC (hereinafter "OCEAN BULK"), in order to secure the issuance of a Summons and Process of Attachment and Garnishment in the above-entitled, *in personam*, Admiralty cause.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, George E. Murray, declares under penalty of perjury:

1. I am an associate attorney at the firm of Chalos, O'Connor & Duffy LLP representing Plaintiff OCEAN BULK in this case.
2. I have personally inquired or have directed inquiries into the presence of Defendant INTER OCEAN SHIP REPAIRS LLC in this District.

3. I have personally checked with the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, using the Secretary of State's Division of Corporations database, and I have determined that, as of August 7, 2008, the Defendant INTER OCEAN SHIP REPAIRS LLC is not incorporated pursuant to the laws of New York, is not qualified to conduct business within the State of New York and has not nominated agents for the service of process within New York because the Secretary of State of the State of New York has no records for the Defendant INTER OCEAN SHIP REPAIRS LLC.

4. I have inquired of Verizon Telephone Company whether the Defendant INTER OCEAN SHIP REPAIRS LLC can be located within this District. The Verizon Telephone Company has advised me that the Defendant does not have any telephone number listings within this District.

5. I have further consulted with several other telephone directories on the internet, and I have found no telephone listing or address for the Defendant INTER OCEAN SHIP REPAIRS LLC within this District.

6. I have further made several searches on the internet with various search engines and maritime websites, and I have found no indication that the Defendant INTER OCEAN SHIP REPAIRS LLC can be found within this District.

7. In that I have been able to determine that the Defendant INTER OCEAN SHIP REPAIRS LLC is not based in the District and that I have found no indication that the Defendant INTER OCEAN SHIP REPAIRS LLC can be found within this District, I have formed a good faith belief that the Defendant INTER OCEAN SHIP REPAIRS LLC does not have sufficient contacts or business activities within this District to defeat

maritime attachment under Rule B of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims as set forth in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

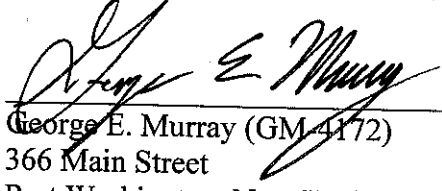
8. It is my belief, based upon my own investigation that the Defendant INTER OCEAN SHIP REPAIRS LLC cannot be found within this District for the purposes of Rule B of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: Port Washington, New York
August 8, 2008

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